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Dear Sir:

The following remarks are offered in response to the Examiner's Office Action dated 08/31/2004. They are respectfully submitted as a full and complete response to that Action.

**REMARKS**

Reconsideration of the above-referenced application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 4-9, 11-16 are pending in this case.

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 4-9, 11-16 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sandhu et al. (U.S. Patent 6,291,340) in view of Sekiguchi et al. (U.S. Patent 6,008,124).